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27 June 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Information Processing Staff

SUBJECT : Proposed Addendum to the USA Standard
Code for Information Interchange,
X3.4-1967

REFERENCE : NBS Memorandum dated 23 May 1968

1. The NBS memorandum has been circulated to the interested DDS Offices. The comments from the Office of Communications are attached for your information. The Offices of Security and Logistics reported that the proposed addition to the code structure would cause no problem in their systems.

2. As you know the SIPS project plans to use the Agency communications system for the transmission of information between Field and Headquarters. Compatibility between the communications system and SIPS becomes a matter of some significance. Paragraph 3 of enclosure 2, which discusses compatibility considerations, raises the problem when they state that "the use of two options within a system, or between systems which intercommunicate, will give rise to functional incompatibility." If this possibility exists I would prefer not to concur in the addition of the New Line option to the code standards and would recommend along with the Office of Communications that the Carriage Return and Line Feed codes be retained.

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Chief, Support Services Staff

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